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If Your Name is William

you have more than five million brothers with that name in the U. S. A.

[William means—protector, defender.]

If Your Name is Mary

you have more than six million sisters with that name in the U. S. A.

[Mary means—star of the sea.]

Philosophers have stated that the two greatest things in the world are words and the human face. Every word is a symbol of something. Persons, places, things and actions all have names. Every word or name has a romantic story.

The Flower Name-Stories in this copy of "The Iris News" will interest you. Keep it on file for study and reference.

A free copy of "The Iris News" will be gladly sent to your flower loving friends who have gardens.

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Send a Copy of Iris News to Your Friends

Here is your new copy of the Iris News. We will be glad to hear how you like the flower-name stories.

Free to Every Customer

With every order for plants we include free of all charge a worth while plant of some variety that will prove a valuable addition to the beauty of your garden. If your order amounts to \$3 you are given extra a root of Albright the new orchid Iris. If your order amounts to \$5 you are given extra a root of the new fragrant plicata Iris New York. Satisfied customers make business a pleasure ness a pleasure.

Choice Varieties Chrysanthemums

| Cavalier—Single, large, deep red |
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| Crimson Splendor—Speaks for itself |
| Early Bronze—One of the very best |
| Glomero-Orange, early, free flowering |
| Golden Apricot—Name describes color |
| Granny Seaville-Warm coral bronze |
| Grenadier—Crimson, bronze suffusion |
| Indian Maid—Deep orange, terra cotta |
| Irene-Dwarf white |
| Moonbeam—Beautiful pink |
| Persia—Deep rosy carmine |
| Philadelphia—Deep lilac |
| Provence—Early light pink |
| Red Flare—Makes a fine appearance |
| Sunflower—Superb yellow |
| These fifteen Chrysanthemums are outstanding among the newer |
| varieties. They all possess desirable qualities and merit a place in |

I was greatly pleased that so many customers ordered the Memorial Iris to place in perpetual remembrance on the graves of their departed

Of all the plants in the floral kindom, the Memorial Iris is best suited for cemetery adornment. It does not interfere with the lawn-mower, nor become unsightly but it presents an evergreen appearance both winter and summer, and often may be seen with its sword-like leaves reaching up through several inches of snow.

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One plant Memorial Iris, 50 cents; three plants \$1.

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These field-to-customer collections of perennial flowering plants are priced for good buying for fifty years to come. They are selected from my radio talks and are the best collections to furnish the greatest amount of potential permanent beauty for the least money.

Order today, tomorrow or anytime.

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Alphabet Collection—Twenty-six named varieties Iris, hardy, colorful, and fragrant, labeled and postpaid only one dollar. Afterglow, Bluet, Claret, Dorothy, Eldorado, Fairy, Gertrude, Helge, Ivorine, Juniata, Kaleidoscope, Lohengrin, Mithras, Nibelungen, Opera, Pocahontas, Quaker Lady, Ramona, Steepway, Toreador, Ute Chief, Valery Mayet, Wyomissing, Xenophon, Yeoman, Zwanenberg.

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ROCK GARDEN PLANTS

do not spread to smother out other plants. These varieties do not spread to smother out other plants. They are also desirable for the border. Labeled and postpaid only one dollar. Golden Yellow Achillea, Pink Arabis, White Harebell, Blue Globe Daisy, White Evergreen Candytuft, Red Coral Bell, Sedum Sieboldi, Silver Leaf Veronica Incana, Scented Garden Pink, Fragrant Double Russian Violet.

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Colorful Collection—Ten Early Hardy Chrysanthemums, labeled and postpaid only one dollar. These flowers will beautify your home when hut few others are obtainable. Adironda, Argenteuillis, Barbara Cummings, Daybreak, Early Bronze, Firelight, Murilla, Mary Pickford, Pink Cushion, Vivid.

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The above groups are \$1. each or the five groups for \$4.

A. B. Katkamier, Macedon, N. Y.

Interesting Items

"The kiss of the sun for pardon
The song of the birds for mirth,
One is nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth."

The most direct route to your friends' heart is through flowering plants.

Flowers which combine well in a bouquet will always combine well in a garden.

Iris and other flowering plants set out before winter closes the ground, will be quite certain to bloom the following season.

Your consideration is invited to the many practical offers of flowering plants listed in this copy of "The Iris News." Let us help you enjoy your beautiful gardens.

Vegetables are material things to satisfy the stomach. Flowers are spiritual things to satisfy the soul. What a glorious thing it is to have a garden in bloom with flowers.

When in a flower garden we can learn to handle plants as a painter learns to handle colors and a poet learns how to handle words, then we will make the earth a paradise of beauty.

Iris plants will be sent dry packed. Then they will come through safely. Moisture and heat induces rot. Iris rhizones should be dry before being packed and then packed in dry excelsior. Plants forwarded in this manner should reach customer O. K. any time of the

We cannot all be sculptors, or painters, or writers, or orators. But we all have creative energy and it can find universal expression in working out the details of a flower garden and painting a fascinating landscape by using nature's colorful flowers in their multitude of varieties and time of blooming.

Here is a good hint. The presence of white always brings the planting nearer to the eye. Blue retires the planting so that where the effect of space is to be increased, as in small gardens, it will be wise to plant the white and bright colors near the front of the garden, using such colors as lavender, mauves, and especially blues for the rear beds or back portion of the borders, as this will make them appear farther away and so increase the apparent size.

The exciting process of building a flower garden will come this spring to many new and many former lovers of gardens. New homes have been built in localities which give more or less ground space for the cultivation of flowers and an appreciation of their beauty which so greatly enriches life. And many former lovely flower gardens were so distressfully damaged by last year's drouth and hot weather that it seems advisable to reconstruct them with new designs and replacements of desirable plant material.

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Blue is the color of heaven. It is the most beautiful of all colors, the most intangible and the most difficult to get. A blue rose is like a blue moon—non existant. There is no satisfactory blue gladiolus. But there are many Irises that are blue—and every shade of blue. In fact more colors may be found in the Iris than in all the other species of flowers combined. It is said that artists in mosaic work make use of more than sixty thousand colors, tints hues, and shades. Thy could find all these colors, tints, hues, and shades in the more than four thousand named varieties of Iris. We look into the sky at night and think we can see many thousands of stars, but in the northern hemisphere we can see with the eye less than four thousand stars, a named Iris for each star.

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Scientists claim that blue flowers are the oldest in the evolution of Nature, yellow next, then white, while red flowers are the newest development.

Dorothea

The accounts of the martyrdom of the youthful. esarian Christian maiden Dorothea differ somewhat hut the followsel is a fair recital of the accepted incidents surrounding her specuftular death three hundred years after the crucifixion.

Trials of the Christians were being held in the print of Sapricius, the governor of Cappadacia, north of Palestine ophilus, a young office holder and friend of the governor was possibly listening to the questions and answers. One after another of Christians had refused to deny their faith and were sentenced to die.

"Who next?" asked the Governor. "Dorothea, a maiden from Caesaria," was the reply.

There came a hush over the people as there was brought before the court a fair and beautiful girl just entering womanhood. Her lovable personality attracted the attention of Theophilus. "What a pity," he thought, "if this fair Christian should die."

She answered the usual questions simply and with unfaltering voice. "Do you fear nothing, neither pain nor death?" she was asked.

"I have no fear of death," she answered, "for it will take me to Him whom I love."

"Who is it you love?" demanded Sapricius.

Dorothea gladly answered, "Christ the Son of God."

"Where is this Christ?" continued the questioning Governor.

"He is everywhere," said the girl in her magnetic voice. "In His humanity He is on earth, in His divinity he is in Paradise. He waits for me."

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"Dorothea, earth itself is Paradise," said the listening Theophilus.
"Think of its trees and flowers and birds. How can you bear to leave

"In Paradise there are yet more wonderful beauties and joys than were ever on earth. Trees and grass are always green, apples like globes of gold glisten in the leaves, lilies and roses never die, their fragrances never cease, and rippling brooks flow with the water of life eternal."

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"Enough of this," he said. "You shall go to your beautiful Paradise at once. Lead her to execution," he commanded.

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"I will, Theophilus," promised Dorothea.

At the banquet that night, Theophilus made merry with his friends. They drank and feasted and sang and each told a tale of what had happened to him that day. At last Theophilus said to them. "These are common things you speak of. Today a miracle has been promised me." With boisterous shouts and laughter he was asked: "What has happened to you today?"

"At the trial of the Christians in the court of Sapricus this day a lovely damsel told me she was going to Paradise, and promised to send me fruit and flowers from heaven."

Then all was hushed for a strange thing happened. In the banquet hall appeared an angelic child arrayed in white robes. The little angel clasped three apples in its right hand and three roses in its left hand and presented them to Theophilus, saying to him "Dorothea, who has just entered Paradise, sends these to you." The gift was accepted and the angel vanished.

"Who next," cried Sapricius the next morning when more Christians were being tried.

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"This is no jest," answered Theophilus. "I come to confcss Christ, in Whom I believe. Dorothea taught me."

And Theophilus was sentenced to Paradise by the Governor.

This name-story of Dorothea and Theophilus seems especially appropriate for "Dorothea" means "the gift of God" and "Theophilus" means a "lover of God."

Plants of Dorothea Iris are ten cents each; twelve plants, \$1.

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Plants of Taj Mahal Iris are 19 cents each; 10 for \$1.50.

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I know of no flower that has more of religion, romance, supposed medical properties, folk-lore and poetry surrounding its name, than does Veronica Incana.

John Burroughs, America's greatest nature lover, found it blooming on the grave of the immortal Carlyle, and called it the prettiest flower he saw in England.

The Chinese Artists, unique in their conception of beauty, call its lovely shade of blue the "sky after rain."

The following name story of Veronica is fashioned on incidents taken from the Bible, religious traditions and medical history.

The beloved disciple St. John in describing the events of the crucifixion of Jesus said: "and they took Jesus, and led him away. And he, bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull."

According to tradition the procession passed the home of a certain Jewish maiden and she saw the Christ toiling toward Calvary bearing his heavy cross, and ran to him to wipe the drops of agony from his brow with her linen veil. This kindly and sympathetic act seemed to merit a special miracle for when the maiden reached home and unfolded the cloth she beheld that the outlines of the face of Jesus had been supernaturally imprinted on its folds.

In time this portrait, held in such supreme veneration was called vera iconica, the "true likeness," which, to touch, contributed to cure disease.

Flower lovers of the middle ages, with active imagination, stimulated with a fancied resemblance of the outlines on the linen to the countenance of Christ, gave the name Veronica the "true likeness" to a plant we now know as Speedwell or Veronica, because of some image-forming suggestion.

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Being considered a holy object, endowed with miraculous curative powers for those who could make the pilgrimage to Rome, the step was easy for those who could not go, to make use of the popular plant bearing the pitying saints name "Veronica."

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Catholics and those who visit their Churches know that a picture of St. Veronica marks one of the stations of the cross.

However we view the matter, the Jewish maiden scems to have been a real personage and Veronica is a lovely name by whomsoever

Veronica Incana is the loveliest of the speedwells. Its silvery foliage nestling close to the ground in loose rosettes is very attractive whether the plant is in or out of hloom. The flower stalks average a foot in height, topped with a bloom spike several inches long, coming to a point and crowded with delicate bright sky-bure flowers. It is an excellent subject for the hardy border and rockery and along the garden path. Field grown plants of Veronica Incana are 15 cen's each or ten plants for \$1.

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every customer for our flowering plants to the amount of one Gilb. This membership places your name on our making list to receive all of our flower name stories free of all charge. This is part of our flowering plant service.

Ill plants are sent postpaid direct to your mail box.

The Plants I got from you two years ago are all doing fine and bloomed delightful last summer. Mrs. P. D., Brookside, Mont.

Here Are Hundreds

of varieties of Iris from which to select the colors to paint your garden picture. The Master Artist gave the iris so many hues, tints and shades of all colors, that it is rightly called the Rainbow Flower. Some flower lovers refer to the Iris as The Garden Orchid. The Iris has a wider color range than any other flower.

The most appreciative tribute to the Iris 1 know of comes in a letter received from Mrs. Oriana Kennedy, 44 Dennison Avc., Binghamton, N. Y. She writes: "1 enjoy your garden radio talks very much. They are certainly interesting and informing. 1 think the Iris has everything—hardiness, ease of culture, early blooming, infinite variety, color, texture, aristocratic bearing, lovely sword shaped green leaves from early spring 'til winter comes, and give the most garden beauty for the least expenditure of time, effort and money. The Iris is the 'Never Give Up' flower."

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Arterstow—Mist's leaveder pild, buff and yellow. Fragrant.

Alterstow—Mist's leaveder pild, buff and yellow. Fragrant.

Alterstow—A beautiful white self and very much in demand.

Albon—Hended yellow and lavender frilled petals.

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Alterstow—Most attractive, light yellow garden effect.

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Alta California—Deep yellow faintly bronzed.

Armas—Blue-purple bleolor from Asia Minor. Early.

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Amas—Blue-purple bleolor from Asia Minor. Early.

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Amborsia—Tridescent white tinted pale fisch.

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Annie Laufie—A delicate orehid blend, lovely.

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Annie Laurie—A delicate orehid blend, lovely.

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Anna Lealie—S. white: F dahlia carmine. Scented, beautiful.

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Antarea—S. soft cream; F. white dotted blue and color and the standard st You can have a complete garden with Irises alone, but you cannot have a complete garden without them.

No other hardy plant will give you such a wide range of colors, or so many varieties of form as the Iris. Clematis—Aptly named. Light lavender violet. Fragrant. Clio—A blue toned bicolor
Clamy—Tall, early, large blossoms. Wisteria violet. Fragrant. Col. Candelot—Golden bronze, dark velvety crimson. Fragrant. Col. Candelot—Golden bronze, dark velvety crimson. Fragrant. Colias—Beantiful yellow self. Free flowering.
Commodore—Light violet, ruffled, attractive. Sweet.
Como—Tall free flowering aniline blue.
Conquistador—Lavender, violet. Tall, large, fragrant.
Coronation—Uniform deep yellow. Does not fade.
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Du Gueslin—Blue toned bicolor like B. Y. Morrison
Duke of Bedford—Brilliant, rich violet purple. Scented, large
Duke of York—A shade darker than Queen Caterina
Dusk—S. lavender; F. deep maroon. Brilliant golden beard.
Dusky Maid—Deep red purplc. Very striking. Fragrant
E. C. Shaw—S. light claret; F. darker, Fragrant. Distinct.
Eden Phillpotts—Clear lavender blue self. Large flowers.
Ed. Michel—Bright petunia violet. Ruffled. Very fragrant
E. H. Jenkins—Light blue toned bicolor. Very fragrant.
El Capitan—Manganese violet, Flaring falls. Fragrant. Noble
E. L. Crandall—Light blue toned Iris. Very fragrant
Eldorado—Blend of yellow, heliotrope and violet. Fragrant
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Elizabeth Egelberg—Mauve pink with heavy orange beard
Emir—Blue-purple with coppery sheen. Tall and late.
Empire—Bright Empire yellow. Fine, Fragrant
Esplendido—Bright red purple bicolor. Gorgeous.
Estrellon—S. white flushed lavender, F. red purple
Euphony—Ruffled, color mustard yellow. Much liked
Eventide—A self of Hay's lilac color, Gaining friends
Frairy—Early, White bordered blue. The most fragrant Iris
Fascination—Next to Pink Satin, the best pink.
F. B. Schermerhorn—Blue toned lavender. A good one
Firmament—Intermediate blue lavender. Early and good
Flammenschwert—Gorgeous yellow and brown. Fragrant
Florentina—White tinged lilac. Hardy foliage, Very fragrant
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Folkwang—S. white flushed red; F. claret red
Forsete—Large flowered dark lavender self
Foster's Yellow—An early rich yellow self toned
Fra Angelico—A sunset effect gold, with blue flush
Fragrans—Bright blue. The most wonderful fragrance.
Francina—Wbite, spotted and veined reddish-purple
Frical Mohr—Largest, most brilliant pink Iris. Fragrant
Fritjof—S. lavender; F. lavender purple. Use with Bleedingheart
Fro—S. empire yellow; F. rich velvety ox-blood. Fragrant Fritjof—S, lavender; F. lavender purple. Use with Bleedingheart
Fro—S. empire yellow; F. rich velvety ox-blood. Fragrant
Fryer's Glory—Crimson-maroon with orange beard.
Gaviata—Lovely warm creamy white. Delightfully fragrant.
Gen. DeWett—A rich red purple. Combines well with others.
Georgia—An early, bright orchid free flowering pink. Good.
Geo. J. Tribolet—Black, violet, dark red purple. Scented.
Germaine Perthuis—Ricb violet purple. Refined, fragrant.
Germanica—The old blue flag of our grandmother's day. Early.
Gertrude—Early, deep blue, sweet scented, long in flower.
Gleam O'Gold—Lavender tinged gold. New and very tall.
Glory of Hillegom—Blue toned bicolor. Foliage large.
Glory of Reading—S. deep blue; F. royal purple. Fragrant.
Glowing Embers—Violet and purple inclosing orange center.
Gold Crest—Blue toned lavender, conspicuous golden beard.
Golden Harvest—Tbe only June and fall blooming yellow.
Golden Promise—Good yellow, bronze veins at throat.
Gold Imperial—Bright clear uniform rich yellow coloring.
Gov. Hughes—Red violet. Large yellow beard. Scented.
Grace Sturtevant—Dark red brown and violet carmine.
Graminea—Red toned dwarf for Rock Gardens. Sweet Scented.
Grapta—Yellowish brown, distinctive coloring.
Grevin—A lovely flower with bronze hues.
G. W. Peake—Yellow bronze; velvety maroon. Fragrant.
Gypsie Queen—Honey yellow; black maroon. Tall, strong.
Halfdan—Very early yellow. Good for Rock Garden.
Hale—Blue violet bicolor. Scented. Large flower. G. W. Peake—Yellow bronze; velvety maroon. Fragrant.
Gypsie Queen—Honey yellow; black maroon. Tall, strong.
Halfdan—Very early yellow. Good for Rock Garden.
Halo—Blue violet bicolor. Scented. Large flower.
Harpalion—S. lavender; F. lavender blue. Orange beard.
Harriet Presby—Tallest violet pink. Sweetly scented, striking.
Heart O'Gold—Lavender blue, clear soft yellow at throat.
Helge—A charming yellow. Early, intermediate. Scented.
Her Majesty—Rose pink; F. vcined bright crimson. Scented.
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Hermoine—Blud toned lavender.
Hiawatha—S. rosy lavender F. pansy-violet. Floriferous.
Hippolyta—Lavender violet, self. Exceptional smooth substance.
Honorabile—This variety has made gardens beautiful always.
Hugo—Blue toned bicolor, large, late.
Hussard—An unusual deep toned blue self. Excellent.
Ideal—S. pure blue; F. rich royal blue.
Imperator—Similar to Ed. Michel but larger. Richly scented.
Inca—A. yellow pink to red toned bicolor.
Ingeborg—White, orange beard, early. Delicately fragrant.
Innocenza—Pure ivory wbite; veining at throat. Scented.
Iris King—Rich S. old gold; F. garnet brown, edged yellow.
Iroquois—S. smoky lavender; F. black-maroon. Tall.
Isolene—Blended buff. cinnamon yellow, violet. Fragrant, tall.
Ivorine—Cream white, delicate and much liked.

Jacqueline Gill—Soft lavender, violet. Exquisite.

wn tones. Many blossoms. Fragrant, rich.

—Pink pastel, gold and maroon.

Jean Chevrear S. primrose yellow; F. cream edged red.

Jeanne D'Arc:
Julia Marlow!

Julia Marlow! aleidoscope—A bud sport of Honorabilie.

It has a habit of breaking up the maroon color of the falls into stripes, stipples, blotches and other formations of maroon and yellow. I have literally examined thousands of falls of this bud sport and no two of them had the same color pattern. By shaking the colored glass in a kaleidoscope you change the dcsign. Hence this new bud sport is appropriately given the name "Kaleidoscope." shaking the colored glass in a kaleidoscope you change the design. Hence this new bud sport is appropriately given the name "Kaleidoscope."

Kalos—S. and F. white, veined pale rose, yellow beard. Kashmir White—Large white of crepy substance. Scented. Kashmir White—Large white of crepy substance. Scented. Kashmer—Tones of lavender. King Karl—Creamy, dotted reddish brown. Ruffled. Scented. King Tut—S. brownish; F. velvety glowing red. Admired. Knysna—S. deep yellow; F. velvety red-brown. Kochi—Rich, silky dark red purple. Early. Scented. Labor—Color effect, burnished red copper. Beautiful. La Correge—Bronze and velvety wine-red. Richly colored. Lady Foster—Lavender violet. Large, opalescent, fragrant. Lady Scymour—Very free flowering. Orchid, old rose veining. LaNiege—A well formed cream white flower. Fragrant. Late White—There's a place for a white late Iris. L. A. Williamson—S and F. velvety violet purple. Scented. Leda—Pink to red toned with feathered petals. Lehengrin—Uniform mauve violet. Ruffled, good, fragrant. Leonidas—Lavender violet, bright orange beard. Tall. Leopold—Dwarf. Blue purple. Also blooms in fall. Scented. Leverrier—Mauve and rich pansy-violet. Brilliant. Lewis Trobridge—S. violet; F. blue violet. Rosy effect. Large. Lona—Ruffled peach colored, veined and peppered violet. Loreley—S. yellow; F. raisin purple. Showy. Sweetly fragrant Lord Lambourne—Medium deep pink lavender. Rare sbape. Lord of June—Blue, lavender violet. Large, showy, fragrant Lord Lambourne—Medium deep pink lavender. Rare sbape. Lord of June—Blue, lavender violet. Large, showy, fragrant Lord Lambourne—Medium deep pink lavender. Rare sbape. Lord of June—Blue, lavender violet. Large, showy, fragrant Lurida—Dark mahogany brown. Interesting
Madcap—S. light lavender; F. blue purple, Many blooms. Magnifica—S. hortense-violet; F. phlox-purple, fragrant. Major—Deep blue bi-color with white veins in throat. Many Green — Refined and beautiful. Marsh Marigold—A yellow blend. Very striking effect. Mary Garden—Creamy, dotted, veined maroo Mary Barnett—Top-notch blue lavender. Scented
Mary Garden—Creamy, dotted, veined maroon. Fragrant
Mary Gibson—S. bronzy old rose; F. old rose. Scented
Mary Gray—A delightful shade of brilliant dark blue.
Mary Orth—S. blue violet; F. flaring darker blue. Scented
Matilda—Nearest blue plicata. An attractive variety.
Mauvine—A red toned bicolor. Large and attractive.
May Morn—Delicate pale lilac, suffused yellow.
May Rose—Pink toned self heavily veined lavender.
Medrano—Rich crimson purple. Late. Fragrant. Charming
Melrose—Light lavender-purple, bright orange beard.
Midguard—A yellow and pink blend. Perfectly formed.

Midwest—Ruffled, white, flushed and edged purple.

Mikado—Blue and pink-toned bi-color

Mildred Presby—S. pink white; F. rich velvety rose purple.

Minnehaha—S. straw yellow; F. veined red. Fragrant.

Mirage—A yellow toned blend. Liked by everybody.

Miranda—Bluish violet metallic sheen. Early, tall, stately.

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Miss Eardley—S. yellow; F. red lavender. Excellent in mass Mist—A blue Iris from Foster. Loved everywhere.

Mith-as—Yellow winc red, veined white. Scented. Distinctive.

Mile. Schwartz—Light pink lavender. A fascinating Iris.

Mme. A. Chateney—Pink and yellow blend, yellow beard.

Mme. Chereau—Prized since 1844. White, frilled blue. Ruffled.

Mme. Cheri—Violet; pink and yellow undertone. Pleasing color Mme. Chobout—Cream, buff and pink edged lilac. Fragrant.

Mme. Durand—Yellow blend. Chocolate. Silky texture.

Mme. Gaudichau—Ricb velvety violet purple. Scented.

Moliere—S. violet blue; F. velvety violet. Scented. Large.

Monhassen—Pink toned bicolor. Not large but interesting.

Monsignor—Deep velvety, brownish purple. Fragrant. Late.

Monterye—Tall, dark bronzed red-violet.

Montezuma—S. golden yellow; F. yellow, white veined purple.

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Monnight—Giant silvery white. Early, Fragrant.

Morning Splendor—S. violet; F. rich velvety purple. Pragrant.

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Mother-of-Pearl—S. and F. pearly lavender. Scented, stately.

Mount Royal—A gigantie purple bi-color. Fragrant.

Mrs. A. S. Hoyt—S. purple; F. white edged violet. Good.

Mrs. Andrist—S. wbite; F. rich velvety purple. Fragrant.

Mrs. Christman—Red toned self. Fragrant. Popular

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Mrs. Lithe-Bue toned self. A wonderful Iris.

Mrs. Hoptonner—Beautiful deep golden yellow. Effective.

Mrs. Rigesote—Pink to red toned. Wanted when s Nokomis—S. pale lavender; F. violet blue. Attractive.
Numa Roumestan—Uniform rich amaranth-red. Ruffled.
Nymph—Empire yellow intermediate. Early, beautiful.
Odaroloc—A pure soft mauve. An outstanding Iris.
Odoratissima—Pink toned self. Fragrant.
Old Gold—A fine yellow plicata. An unusual color.
Oliver Perthuis—Velvety pansy violet. Fragrant, large, late.
Omaha—This is the nearest to red, bright orange beard.
Opal—Light pink lavender. Everybody likes it.
Opera—Rich violet purple. Sweet scented. Very popular
Oriange Queen—Dwarf. Most beautiful yellow liris. Fragrant.
Oriental—Rich lavender dark red. Orange beard. Fragrant.
Oriental—Rich lavender dark violet late.
Othello—Deep blue purple. A color liked by many.
Otoe—Deep red purple. Mucb in demand.
Parc de Neuilly—Uniform dark violet. Late. Fragrant.
Pauline—A very good red purple Iris. Scented very sweetly.
Parisiana—White thickly dotted and shaded purple. Unusual.
Parisiensis—An early light blue bicolor
Pcacock's Eye—Yellow blend with bright eye. Fragrant.
Peaches—A warm, peach, apricot and orange effect.
Peau Rouge—Coppery red; bronzy blood red. Distinct coloring.
Peerless—Rich glowing mahogany red effect.
Pearless—Rich glowing mahogany red effect.
Perfection—Velvety, dark madder violet, bicolor, orange beard Perladonna—Blue toned lavender. Tall, well branched.
Phyllis Bliss—A light lavender pink. Ver ylarge flower.
Pink Pearl—Delicate clear tints of mallow pink to apricot.
Pioneer—Rich red purple, large, good form. Fragrant.
Pocahontas—Frilled petals, white bordered lavender. Fragrant
Porsenna—S. bronze; F. rich violet. Fragrant, Gorgeous.
Powhatan—Rose-violet to purple shaded crimson. Desirable.
Prairie Gold—The darkest yellow in existence. Large, late.
President Thiers—Blue toned bloolor. Very pleasing.
Princess Beatrice—Violet blue, upstanding and fragrant.
Primcose—A deep clear yellow. W Pseudacorus—(Water Iris) Bright golden yellow. Ornamental. Purple and Gold—Violet. Beautiful golden beard. Fragrant. Purple Haze—A French gray self. Large. Different.

Quaker Lady—Pleasing blend of blue, buff, yellow. Scented. Queen Caterina—A great Iris, lavender violet. Scented. Queen Flavia—Soft toned yellow blend. Intermediate. Queen of May—S. and F. fine rose lilac, pink. Fragrant. Good. Rameses—New blend. S. light russet; F. tourmaline pink. Rameldo—Brownish petunia violet. Unusual. Ramendo—Breunia violet, orange buff blend. Fragrant. Good. Red Cross—Yellow toned blend venated maroon. Red Wing—S. light brown; F. dahlia carmine. Beautiful. Rembrandt—Light blue with an orchid sheen. Rheingauperle—Soft orchid pink tone. Orange blossom scent. Rhein Nixe—S. white; F. pansy violet. Large, late. Scented Rheintraube—Brilliant very blue color bicolor. Late. Ringdove—S. deep lavender to olive lake; F. lavender violet. Romeo—S. citron yellow; F. lilac V-shaped center. Unique. Rosedale—A finely colored clear blue self.

Roseway—Decp pink lavender. Fragrant. Orange beard. Rose Madder—Brilliant rose madder, velvety falls.

Rose Salterne—White, lightly penciled light blue. Rose Unique—Early deep pink. Good for massing. Scented. Rotorura—Lavender to deep blue. Delightful coloring. Rubyd—Rich deep reddish violet-purple. Effective in mass. Ruby Perry—Tall, palida station, rose purple color. Ruby Queen—A ligbt purple with ruby-like finish. Ruth Pfeiffer—White and delicate lavender. Fragrant. Sambueina—A pink-toned bicolor.

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| Swatara—Lobelia blue shot brown, Fragrant, Artistic | |
| Taffeta—Has appearance of changeable blue and gold 14 | |
| Taj Mahal—Pure white, though occasionally lightly veined 19 Tamar—S. lilac; F. rose lilac. Good form. Lovely color | |
| Techmsen—S. clouded built ' E' smoky violet Toll 14 | |
| Tendresse—A magnificent blue toned bicolor, Large foliage 29 | |
| Tenebrae—Bluish violet to rich nansy violet Early 24 | |
| Titan—Gigantic, striking, violet, blue purple 29 Tom Tit—A dark blue toned Iris from Bliss of England 14 | |
| Toreador—A vellow toned bicolor, marcon veining 14 | |
| Trianon-Pale buff touched rose. Distinct delicate color | |
| Tristram—Nearest black and white. S. white; F. blue black | |
| Tropic Seas—Rich, velvety, blue purple, Large fragrant 14 | |
| Trostringer—Tall light pink. Lovely and enchanting | |
| True Charm—White margined blue lavender. Frilled. Scented14 | |
| Tunisea—Similar to Quaker Lady and Igouf but larger | |
| Ultra—Very early bright blue. Blooms again in fall | |
| Ute Chief—Similar to Alcazar but larger | |
| Valencia—S. and F. bright orange buff. Distinct new color | |
| Valery Mayet—Rich and distinctive red color tone. Tall | |
| Vesper Gold—Distinct vellow with soft violet flush | |
| Victorine—S. white shot blue; F. very deep blue | |
| Virginia Moore—S. and F. bright chrome yellow. Good. Tall | |
| Walhalla—S. lavender; F. velvety purple. Intermediate. Early | |
| Wedgewood—A blue toned lavender of wonderful value | |
| White Knight—A dependable pure white. Sweet scented | |
| White Queen—Snow white flower. Long blooming season19 | |
| Wild Rose—Light pink lavender. Fragrant. A great beauty | |
| W. J. Freyer—S. ochre; F. dark purple flushed blue. Scented 10 | |
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| Xenophon. Two-toned lavender-blue. Early, free flowering | |
| Yellow Moon—The most charming light soft yellow | |
| Zada-Very free flowering white. Late | |
| Zanardelle—Blue toned self. Good form. A charming flower10 | |
| Zouave—Canary with margins and splashings of lavender | |
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These varieties are about as red as Iris blooms grow.

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About the only way to have plenty of flowers in late fall and early winter is to grow Chrysanthemums. They are easy of culture and the hardy varieties come before the killing frosts. If it is desired to have "Mums" for the holiday, proceed in this way: Cut the stcms when the first buds begin to open, strip off the surplus leaves, plunge the stems in a container with water and place in cellar or a cool room. The plants can also be transplanted in a shallow box with the soil kept moist, and all placed in cool room or cellar.

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Phlox—Grows freely for years. Mixed colors

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Phlox—Subulata Rosea—Intense deep rose.

Pinks—Clove scented. Blooms from May to November.

Platycodon—Baloon flower. Large, deep blue, showy.

Poppy—Oriental. Large brilliant scarlet.

Pyrethrum—Painted Daisy. White to deep red. Early.

Salvia—Deep shade. Gentian blue.

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Saponaria—Trailing vine, covered with pink flowers.

Shasta Daisy—Glistening white flowers.

Sedum—Spectabilie. Rose colored flowers in fall.

Spider-Wort Blue—Continues long in bloom.

Thyme—Green. Gives a wonderful bloom in pink lavender.

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Thyme—Golden. Very beautiful golden leaves, fragrant.

Thyme—Variegated. Does not spread. Scented foliage. Small.

Tritoma—Torchilly. Gorgeous orange scarlet.

Tunica—Double pink. Blooms profusely all summer.

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Viola—Jersey Gem. Rich violet. Blooms eight months.

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Viola—Johnny-Jump-Up. Unique and colorful.

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Viola—White Perfection. Large flowered, showy.

Viola—Cornuta Yellow Gem. Flowers all summer.

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Gladiolus—Mixed colors, 12 bulbs blooming size.

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Fragrans—All that has been said about fragrance in flowers can justly be said of Fragrana. It fills the air with such a sweet seent that instinctively one desires to locate the source. And it is soon found in a lovely and beautiful two toned violet colored Iris. If you love fragrance in lowers, Fragrant Romantic tragedy thrills all through the story of this young French maid. What she accomplished and what she endured marks her as one of the world's greatest heroines. She was instrumental in winning the battle of Orleans against the English which saved France for the French. But later she was captured by the Burgundians and sold to the English for 16,000 francs. After revolting crueities had been practiced on her, even to being criminally assaulted while chained to an English soldier, she was tried before an ecclesiastical tribunal on the charge of witchcraft. On May 30, 1431, she was burned alive in the marketplace at Rouen. In 1456 she was formally declared to have been innocent. Her battle banner was of white satin strewn with fleurs-de-lis (fris). Jeanne D'Are may well be called the patron saint of Iris growers

Lorely—or Lurlei, the name of a steep rock on the right bank of the Rhine, about 430 feet high, celebrated for its ceho, which is said to repeat sounds fifteen times. It gives rise to the legend of a beautiful but cruel siren who dwelt in a cave of the Lurle and allured the passing voyagers to approach by the marge melody of her song until they were wrecked and sunk in the legend in an exquisite manner. S. straw yellow; F. flaring, violet-purple, edged yellow. Sweetly scented

Lord Lambourne—The noble Lord will have his name perpetuated for many many years among the lovers of beautiful Iris, for Lord Lambourne is the name of a favorite Iris found in the best gardens. It blooms early and continues in bloom until the Iris season is over. Its flowers are well formed, well spaced. The stalk is tall. The S. are rose-buff; F. rich madder crimson; bright yellow beard; sweetly scented. A go

purple
Red Cross—Named for one of the greatest humanitarian organizations, international and non denominational. A yellow toned blend, venated a pinkish maroon.
Romeo—As long as there are lovers in the world, the story of Romeo and Juliet as dramatized by Shakespeare, will be a classic. Romeo is a unique Iris with S. citron yellow; F. lilke Romeo and Juliet as dramatized by Shakespeare, will be a classic. Romeo is a unique Iris with S. citron yellow; F. lilac v-shaped center.

Walhalla—According to a Norse Myth, the hall of Odin, the supreme deity; into which he receives the souts of heroes stain in battle. From its 540 gates each morning the warriors go to fight and at night they return to feast with the gods, Valkyries, being their servitors. Early flowering with large blooms.

S. pale lavender-blue; F. bright, velvety violet-purple.

Zwanenberg—This is the only tall, large flowering Iris to bloom early enough to keep company with the Dwarf varieties. The large silky cup-shaped standards are creamy yellow, flushed and blotched maroon; F. are rich old gold splashed and striped deep purple. Sweetly scented

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Marie Lemoine—Large pure white, carmine markings. Fragrant
Martha Bulloch—Silvery shell pink, shading to deep rose.

Midnight—Large, deep maroon; good for cutting.

Milton Hill—Lilac rose, with tints of salmon pink.

Mme. August Descrit—Violet rose, center marked carmine. Mme. August Dessert—Violet rose, center marked carmine Mme. Crousse—Uniform pure white, petals fleeked crimson Mme. de Verneville—Bluish white, changing to pure white Mme. Emille Galle—Beautiful lilae white, tinted shell pink. Mme. Jules Dessert—Creamy white, with golden glow... Octavie Demay—Very early flower of hydrangea wak.... Sarah Bernhardt—Soft pink flowers of spicadid size... Solange—A pinkish-buil that looks well in any garden ... Therese—Soft pink. One of the world's best punks... Therese—Soft pink. One of the world's best punks... Venus—Clear hydrangea—pink... .89 .49 .50 .50 .75 .75 enus-Clear hydrangea-pink... No Peonies Shipped During May, June and July,

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If in the Collections you order you and you already have some of the varieties, you may select from the following list such varieties as while balance the number:

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One day last September I took the noon hour study period enjoying the blooms on the early Chrysanthemums. Apparently the plants had not suffered from the prolonged summer drouth but had getten enough meisture and plant food to develop a hardy and luxurious

I could not help thinking of the great mystery of life, how the soil, the air warmth, and sunlight and water combine in forming the required materials for the growth of every living thing, plants and the animals that feed upon the plants.

The roots of the plants select from the soil-moisture some substances and rejects others. The peach tree root mouths know just what will make peaches. The potato root mouths know just what will make potatoes. Iris plants know just what will make Iris blooms look so heautiful.

We sometimes make mistakes in what we set but the last select in what we set but the soil-moisture some substances and rejects are repeated by the solutions.

We sometimes make mistakes in what we eat, but the plants never

The materials which make up the plants are the same as those that make up our bodies. They existed in the world ages before we were born. We take them in by the food and drink we consume. Even those that had lived before, like meat, vegetables and fruits were

were born. We take them in by the food and drink we consume. Even those that had lived before, like meat, vegetables and fruits were dead when we atc them.

Then a mysterious something laid hold on them and by the processes of digestion, assimilation and cell building made them alive and gave them places in our living bodies.

Our bodies eat, drink, breathe and eliminate waste, and every one of the eight billion cells in our bodies must also eat, drink, breathe and eliminate waste or discase begins.

The life processes of both plants and animals are essentially the same, and the living matter in a squash is as much alive, as the living matter in a human being.

All living things have been made from dead things. But it takes life to produce life, and there is no reasoning or no device that can tell how life is or was produced. It still remains the secret of the ages. I remember the story of the Indian chief at the log council house at Canandaigua. He had been invited to a seat on one of the rude benches. He electrified those who heard him reply: "The sun is my father, the earth is my mother, I will recline on her bosom." Suiting his actions to his words he sat on the ground.

This untutored Indian chief, at the beginning of history in Ontario County. N. Y., had given expression to the great fact of nature—the Sun is our father, the earth is our mother. And thinking these things over I returned to work digging some Iris plants for an order going to Utah.

The Rochester Iris

Several years ago I purchased the surplus plants of a grower who included a number of unnamed seedlings, claimed to have originally been sent out by a prominent Iris grower.

After testing these unnamed seedlings through a number of seasons of bloom, I selected one of such outstanding merit as to be worthy I thought, of the best name I could find for it. The color is definitely one to be quickly observed and liked. It may be described as deep lilac purple with a light claret-red overtone.

In the selection of a name for this marvelous Iris I was guided by my research work in the Rochester Public Library, particularly in the Fine Arts Division where can be consulted one of the largest and most comprehensive collections of books and pamphlets on gardening and allied subjects to be found outside of State and National In looking over the color plates I found what I think is a fair

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In looking over the color plates I found what I think is a fair replica of the color of the new Iris. It is called Lilac Purple. Some further consideration brought the thought that as Rochester is known far and wide for its great display of Lilacs at Highland Park, it would be appropriate to name this charming Iris "Rochester."

To name a flower for a city has many precedents, to mention only a few: Los Angeles has a gladiolus: Boston has a Chrysanthemum; Cordova a Tulip and Bagdad a Dahlia. A lovely rose also has been given the name "Rochester."

No plants of the Rochester are to be sold this year. A dozen clumps can be seen in the rock garden, blooming with the other early blooming varieties.

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The finding of this new Iris borders on romance. Its merits were rot recognized by the originator, its beauty was overlooked by several growers. It is another incident demonstrating, "The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner."

It seems that fate or accident or "the breaks of the game" has much to do with determining the outcome of events. On June 7, 1777, Richard Henry Lee introduced into Congress the famous resolution - Resolved, that these united colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states," as the introducer Lee would have heen chosen to draft what has become immortal as the Declaration of Independence, but sudden illness at home called him away and Jefferson received the honor in his stead. Lee returned however, in time to sign the instrument.

You are condially invited to come over to the Iris Gardens and enjoy the beauty of the Rochester Iris.

Doronicum

Nobody knows why this lovely daisy-like yellow flowered perennial was named Doronicum. The name itself is the Latin form of the name the plant bears in its home country—Arabia. Usually a plant name means something. Leopards Bane is another name given to Doronicum and the one doesn't carry any more meaning than the other.

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As the Doronicum is always in bloom for Mother's Day and one of the first to give a golden atmosphere to the spring time garden picture. I have, in recent years been referring to Doronicum as Mother's Day Golden Daisy. It is a long name but it expresses a fact in an inspiring manner.

Its golden yellow flowers are borne on stalks two feet to three feet high, usually one flower to a stem carried well above the foliage. On thrifty plants the flower stalk may branch near the base of the stem and additional flowers will be produced on the side branches.

Occasionally some favored plants will develop flowers all through the late summer and early fall.

Individual flowers are about two inches broad the ray petals being the richest golden yellow. The outton like center is called a disk and it is made up of two hundred to three hundred florets or disk flowers. In color these are golden yellow.

Mother's Day Golden Daisy is one of the very best flowers for cutting and combines exceptionally well with all types and colors of tulips. These flowers may well be liberally grown wherever spring flowers are to be used.

Doronicum plants are fifteen cents each, or ten plants for \$1.

Water Iris--100 for \$4, 1000 for \$35

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The Rock Garden

You will pardon me, I hope, for becoming excited when I talk about my small rock garden. I change the most of its plant material several times during the growing season. In it I try numerous experiments with plants. Many color combinations are tested. It is here I learn what to do and what not to do with plants. It's a great school and I like to be an humble pupil to nature.

The weather was so warm the fore part of January that I completely replanted the rock garden. I brought in from the fields more than a hundred clumps of early flowering varieties of Iris, and planted them among the rocks, trying to so place them that the colors of the blooms would not "clash." I must admit that all colors have a pleasing appeal to me and I like them however placed. No doubt that when I become better color educated I will be a more successful garden artist.

garden artist.

Color has appealed to all peoples in all ages of the world. The Sabaean city of Ecbatana, founded 800 B. C. had at its highest point a temple of the sun inclosed by seven concentric walls, each rising toward the center. The outmost or lower wall was painted white, then in higher succession, black, scarlet, blue, orange, silver, while the innermost wall was gilded. As the walls rose in graduation toward the center with their gorgeous hues, an enchanting sight was presented, particularly in the morning sunlight.

Of course the clumps of early blooming Iris in the rock garden are not placed as systematically as the walls of Ecabatana which presented a definite and arranged color scheme, but on a much smaller scale will afford opportunity to note the effect of various color combinations.

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The form of the rock garden is an irregular triangle. The outer rocks marking the outline are placed closer together than on the interior, and between these rocks I have planted four score clumps of the two-toned blue Leopold dwarf Iris. When in blook these Irises will make a "blue streak" frame around the garden. A early spring it is my intention to plant just inside the outline rocks about twelve dozen plants of Achillea Tomentosa or golden yarrow. These will bloom a little later than the Leopold Iris but in time to make a golden outline for the last blooms to develop on the early blooming varieties of Iris making up the first floral display of the season in the rock garden.

Of course the last display of the year in the rock garden will be nearly a hundred varieties of fall blooming hardy chrysanthemums. This also will be a gorgeous sight.

Variety in Flowers

Wm. Cowper the English poet did two things that fixed his name in the memory of mankind. His lines written to his mother's portrait have caused more tears to be shed than any other English poem. Cowper also wrote the most frequently quoted words in the English language: "Variety is the spice of life."

Other men have given expression to the same thought but not in the same unforgetable way.

Pliny the Elder who was often heard to say that there was no book, however bad, from which some good could not be got, and who made a practice of jotting down important facts or observations, had this to say about variety: As land is improved by sowing it with various seeds so is the mind by exercising it with different studies.

A few years ago while reading the essays of Lord Bacon I came across his statement that "Nothing is pleasant that is not spiced with variety."

A man who combines the accomplishments of poet, diplomatist and man of the world can say things with ease and grace and that accounts for Matthew Prior's crystal like saying that "Variety alone

counts for Matthew Priors crystal like gives joy."

Variety is the spice of a book's table of contents, just as it is the spice of a young man's list of neckties. Apple cake with raisins is delicious, but one wouldn't want it too many times in succession.

No where so much as in a flower garden does variety furnish life and give joy. And with no flower can so much variety be had as the Iris. As is many times stated there are more than four thousand named varieties of this glorious flower.

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If you have three varieties of Iris you can have six changes; if four varieties you may have 24 changes, while twelve varieties give you as many as 479,001,600 changes or combinations. Should you secure my Alphabet Collection of 26 varieties of Irises I am wondering if the string of figures representing the number of possible changes wouldn't reach a distance of several miles.

Rodney

Every great crisis creates a noble hero to meet it. A few years ago I went over the route followed by Paul Revere on his memorable ride from Charlestown to Lexington and Concord to notify the Minute Men that the British were coming and seemed to catch the thrill of those stirring events which they who take that trip are said to experience.

But a ride that has always aroused me to enthusiasm and admiration was that eighty-mile ride of Caesar Rodney at the time of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. He had been secretly informed that the Delaware delegation was split and that his vote was needed that Delaware might be saved and the Colonies declared a unit. He arrived in the hall where Congress was in session just as the name "Delaware" was being called. "I vote yes," said Rodney, as he sank into his seat utterly exhausted.

Now let us learn of the heroic stuff that made him a great hero, Had he been in the full vigor of manhood his performance would not have been so spectacular. Although a military man and in Congress he had been obliged temporarily to go home owing to the increasing growth of a cancer which had already destroyed one side of his face. Suffering from the fever of his malady, he rose from what his physicians thought was his death bed and dashed off into the rain and mud—and won.

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The Rodney Iris is a self-toned light blue of good habit and a good variety any place you give it. One plant, 14 cents; four for 42 cents.

Lovely Lady

The new seedling Iris given the name Lovely Lady last year, has met with considerable favorable comment—and some unfavorable criticism. Some observers maintain this new Iris should have been dug up by the roots and thrown away. Others are firm in the belief that the Lovely Lady Iris is well adapted to style and place as a variety for the rock garden and the border. It is neither a dwarf nor an intermediate but a medium size Iris in plant and flower and blooms late, thus prolonging the Iris season.

Being a derivitive of Quaker Lady it was an easy step from that name to Lovely Lady and thus did the new Iris receive its name. Like its mother, Quaker Lady, it is a blend of pink, yellow and heliotrope, overlaid and infixed in the petals with red and orange. I will present a mother plant of Lovely Lady to the person who will adequately describe the coloring of its petals. A group of these plants can be found near the lily pool. The price for this year is fixed at \$50 pcr mother plant.

The Pot of Gold

You have heard of the pot of gold, which according to legend, hangs at the rainbow's end. A story of the Buttercup relates that a boy started in search of this gold. He wandered for years vainly seeking it. When old and wrinkled, he one night had a vision of a beautiful woman who told him where he would find the gold, but because in his selfish searching he had not brought good cheer to anyone, she also told him that the gold would never bring him happiness. When he awoke, the old man saw a rainbow and at its foot was the gold. In his selfishness he strode away to hide his newly found treasure, But a fairy followed him and cut a hole in the bag, permitting the pieces of gold to drop to the ground and where they dropped, there sprang up the Buttercup with its fascinating golden yellow color.

All plants are sent postpaid direct to your mail box.

Morning Splendor

More people have admired the alluring beauty of Morning Splendor than any other American produced Iris. It is a mosaic of red and yellow and purple in a muitical of gorgeous tints and hues and shades, showing the artistic genius of reduced the magic of creation in a single bloom, an earthly throne of the garry of God.

These are illuminating words but Morning Splendor deserves them all.

Its name alone would keep it growing in the gardens of the world as long as flowers are appreciated. Morning is always looked forward to with longing and pleasure. And did you ever watch the sun come up, slowly, gorgeously, brilliantly? It is the greatest, most marvelous splendor of creation. It means a new chance. J. Marion Shull was inspired when he named this new seedling "Morning Splendor." Morning Splendor has "the most brilliant red effect yet seen in an Iris." Certainly when the morning sunlight shines through its petals its beauteous velvety iridescent coloring, charms the beholder and the eye is lothe to cease its glances at such a rainbow of floral loveliness. Nor does its beauty diminish as the morning advances into the day, and when evening comes the slower red rays of the departing sun seems to add a halo to the charm of Morning Splendor. The painters describe the color of Morning Splendor as petuniaviolet for the standards and raisin-purple for the falls. But with the morning sunlight dancing off or shining through its silky petals, it presents the most brilliant claret red (some say ruby-crimson) yet seen with the tall bearded Irises. It is a color that lingers in the memory.

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A plant is as much alive as is a human being and like human beings, some plants have more life and pep than others. As a plant Morning Splendor is above medium size, hardy, vigorous and prolific of strong, tall, well- branched stems bearing numerous blooms. The top blooms will, under congenial conditions reach up to four feet.

The flowers are large late blooming of fine form, and of heavy substance, lasting over a long period. It is also very good when used as a cut flower.

When nearly but not quite opened, the standards form a gothic arch. The falls are flaring. This combination of form, size and color produces a flower with a near approach to the perfection of beauty. It's no wonder that Morning Splendor has heen given a rating by the experts of more than ninety points, a position reached by only a few Irises. Societies of flower lovers and Iris growers have covered it with gold and silver medals, awards of merit, ribbons and testimonials. The humble gardner and those in high places have vied with each other in their efforts to do it justice.

The artistic arrangement of flowers has always been regarded an elegant accomplishment. You cannot assemble any two flowers that will blend with such entrancing harmony as the dark red-purple Morning Splendor and the ravishing array of pink, tan and various shades of yellow found in the Old Gold Iris. Dark colors must be relieved with softer colors and these two blend and come together as hand and glove. Either separate or united Morning Splendor and Old Gold are irresistible.

For twenty-five cents I will send you one good plant each of Morning Splendor and Old Gold. Or you may have five plants of each—ten plants in all for \$1.

The Rules of Transplanting

There really are only two rules in transplanting perennial flowering plants; roots in the soil and stems and leaves in the air.

Iris are usually planted with the thick part, or rhizome, just covered out of sight and the plants spaced six to ten inches from each other as the available ground will permit. If the Iris plants are dipped in water just before being placed in the soil, no further watering will be necessary.

Plants like violas, dianthus, aquelegia, doronicum, etc., should be transplanted slightly deeper than they grew. Keep these well watered until established.